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SUBJECT: MACHEL ANNOUNCES SWEEPING REFORMS OF ARMED FORCES AND POLICE

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1. SUMMARY. AS INDICATED REFTEL B, PRESIDENT MACHEL RECENTLY HARSHLY CRITICIZED MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES AND POLICE AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ANNOUNCED SWEEPING REFORMS DESIGNED TO END ABUSES BY THEM

AGAINST POPULATION AT LARGE. TO SOFTEN PILL, ABUSES WERE PUT IN CONTEXT OF INFILTRATION INTO UNIFORMED SERVICES BY AGENTS OF IMPERIALISM AND CLASS WARFARE. SPECIFIC COMPLAINTS INVOLVED ANTI-WHITE RACISM BY TROOPS AND POLICE, ARBITRARY ARRESTS, BEATINGS OF PRISONERS AND LESSER ITEMS. AMONG REFORMS ANNOUNCED WERE MANDATORY CURFEWS, END TO ARBITRARY ARRESTS, REQUIREMENT FOR TWELVE HOURS WEEKLY OF POLITICAL INSTRUCTION, MANDATORY EXPULSION FROM THE ARMY AND PERIODS OF DETENTION, FORCED LABOR, AND SUSPENSION FOR INFRACTIONS OF NEW RULES. END SUMMARY.

2. CONTEXT AND COMPLAINTS. FOLLOWING WAS USED TO DEVELOP CONTEXT OF COMPLAINTS:

A. SMALL BOURGEOISIE IS ATTEMPTING TO PLANT FALSE IDEAS AND VALUESNINTO SOCIETY AND ARMED FORCES, TO SABOTAGE ECONOMY, TO PILLAGE NATURAL WEALTH OF COUNTRY, TO TRY TO CREATE SOCIAL CLIMATE OF DISCONTENT.

B. UTILIZING MONEY OF RELIGIOUS SECTS, BOURGEOISIE ORGANIZES WEBS OF SABOTAGE AND MORAL AND POLITICAL SEPARATION OF OUR PEOPLE. BOURGEOISIE IS INTENSIFYING CLASS STRUGGLE BETWEEN PEOPLE AND BOURGEOISIE IN GOVERNMENT APPARATUS, ATTEMPTING TO SHOW THAT WORKING CLASS IS INCAPABLE OF LEADING COUNTRY.

(1) UNTIL LAST OCTOBER, ENEMY SOUGHT TO CREATE CONTRADICTIONS AMONG POPULAR FORCES, FRELIMO, AND THE GOVERNMENT. THESE SAME PEOPLE WHO FOLIGHT US DURING THE PEOPLE'S WAR TRIED TO PRESENT

C. RECENT ENEMY ACTION HAS TAKEN PLACE IN TWO PLACES:

PEOPLE WHO FOUGHT US DURING THE PEOPLE'S WAR TRIED TO PRESENT THEMSELVES AS DEFENDERS OF INTERESTS OF SOLDIERS, THUS THEIR RECENT CAMPAIGNS SAYING THAT SOLDIERS WERE NOT PAID NOR GIVEN

ADEQUATE CLOTHING OR LIVING CONDITIONS.

(2) THE ENEMY HAS SOUGHT IN RECENTLY INTENSIFIED ACTION TO OBTAIN MORE COMPLEX OBJECTIVES USING MORE PERFIDIOUS METHODS:

OBTAIN MORE COMPLEX OBJECTIVES USING MORE PERFIDIOUS METHODS (A) EXAMPLES: ENEMY FIRST TRIED TO PROMOTE ANTI-NEGRO RACISM IN WHITE POPULATION, BUT WHEN THAT WAS DEFEATED, BEGAN TO PROMOTE ANTI-WHITE RACISM, WHICH FORCED WHITE POPULATION TO DEFEND ITSELF AND TO ALLY ITSELF UNCONDITIONALLY WITH COLONIALISM. TODAY IT IS USING THIS SAME METHOD TO INSTIGATE A FEELING OF TERROR IN WHITE POPULATION AND IS INFILTRATING PROVOCATEURS INTO POPULATION AND AMONG SOLDIERS TO PROMOTE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ACTS OF VIOLENCE. ENEMY WHO UTILIZED RELIGION TO DIVIDE AND OPPRESS THE PEOPLE IS NOW EXPLOITING FEARS OF BELIEVERS AND TRYING TO BECOME THEIR DEFENDERS.

(B) THIS ENEMY SEEKS TO PROMOTE A CLIMATE OF CONFUSION, UNDISCIPLINE, ANARCHY, CHAOS AND VIOLENCE, DESIGNED TO MAINTAIN INSECURITY AND UNEASINESS OF THE PEOPLE IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY RESTORATION TO POWER OF BOURGEOISIS.

(C) SOME PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF ARMY, USING OUR UNIFORMS AND OUR

NAME IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF COUNTRY, HAVE COMMITTED SERIOUS AGGRESSIONS AGAINST POPULATION AND THEIR PROPERTY, OTHERS BELONGING TO CRIMINAL SERVICE OF THE ENEMY SUCH AS PIDE, FLECHAS, GE, GEP, COMMANDOS, AND OPV. INFILTRATED INTO PEOPLE'S FORCES IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CEASE-FIRE (IN 1974). THEY BROUGHT TO OUR RANKY DISRESPECT FOR OUR FOUNDATIONS, BANDITRY, VIOLENT ACTS AGAINST PEOPLE AND LOVE OF CORRUPTION. ANOTHER CATEGORY WHICH CANNOT BE OVERESTIMATED ARE FORMER AGENTS OF ENEMY WHO WERE NOT DETECTED DURING PREVIOUS PURIFICATION CAMPAIGNS OF OUR RANKS. SOME SOLDIERS, UNDER THE IDEOLOGICAL INSPIRATION OF BOURGEOISIE. CONFUSE PEOPLE'S VICTORY WITH POSSIBILITY OF SATISFYING EGOTISTICAL INTERESTS AND DESIRES AND CONSIDER LUXURY AS A RIGHT WON BY PARTICIPATION IN THE STRUGGLE. WE HAVE SEEN NUMEROUS CASES IN WHICH ELEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE'S FORCES SENT CITIZENS TO PRISON. THESE PEOPLE HAVE BEEN PUT IN PRISON WHEN NO OUTRIGHT CRIME HAS BEEN DETERMINED, AND IN ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FROM A SUPERIOR. WE MUST POINT OUT THAT FREQUENTLY CASES HAVE ARISEN IN WHICH PERSONS DETAINED BY THE POPULAR FORCES (FPLM) HAVE NOT BEEN PROPERLY SENT TO COMPETENT AUTHORITIES IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH AN INVESTIGATION. MORE SERIOUSLY, AND THIS CLEARLY DEMON-STRATES THE ENEMY'S INFILTRATION INTO OUR MIDST. WE VERIFIED CASES IN WHICH DETAINED PERSONS WERE SUBMITTED TO UNJUSTIFIED ACTS OF VIOLENCE.

3. INSTRUCTIONS TO TROOPS

A. ALL COMMANDERS MUST CLEARLY EXPLAIN TO THEIR UNITS THAT THEY ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO SEND ANYONE TO PRISON WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS FROMHTHE UNIT COMMAND ACTING IN CORRELATION WITH LOCAL ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITIES, EXCEPT IN CLEAR CASES OF ASSASSINATION, ROBBERY, AND SABOTAGE WHEN PERSON IS CAUGHT AT EXACT MOMENT OF ACT. THE COMMANDERS MUST GIVE CLEAR INLIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STRUCTIONS TO THEIR UNITS TO IMMEDIATELY SEND THE ARRESTED INDIVIDUALS TO THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES IN ORDER TO PROCEED WITH A PROPER INVESTIGATION. UNITS OF FPLM DO NOT HAVE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROCEED WITH AN INVESTIGATION NOR TO KEEP PERSONS DETAINED WITHOUT HIGHER INSTRUCTIONS.

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B. UNIT COMMANDERS ARE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY VIOLATIONS OF THESE RULES.

C. UNIT COMMANDERS ARE EQUALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR INSULTS OR ILL TREATMENT BY MEMBERS OF THEIR UNITS AGAINST ARRESTEES OR THE POPULATION. AN ENERGETIC CAMPAIGN MUST BE UNDERTAKEN TO PUT AN IMMEDIATE END TO THE COLONIALIST AND FASCIST HABIT OF MALTREATING ARRESTED PERSONS.

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D. SOLDIERS MUST STRICTLY OBEY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS. THEY MUST RESPECT PUBLIC PLACES AND PAY FOR SERVICES RECEIVED; FOR EXAMPLE, CINEMA TICKETS, BUS RIDES, RESTAURANT MEALS AND SO FORTH.

E. TASK OF THE FPLM IS NOT TO INTERFERE IN FUNCTIONING OF PARTY AND STATE BUT TO SUPPORT PARTY AND STATE. NO RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL OF FPLM, MUCH LESS ANY SOLDIER, IS AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ORDERS TO ANY MEMBER OF PARTY OR STATE. EQUALLY, HE IS NOT AUTHORIZED TO INTERFERE IN BUSINESS OF FIRMS AND WHEN ON A MISSION TO PROTECT A FIRM MUST NOT INTERPRET HIS MISSION AS BEING THE SUBSTITUTION OF THE LEADERSHIP AND RESPONSIBLE STRUCTURES OF PARTY AND THE STATE.

4. RECTIFICATION OF THE SITUATION AND PURIFICATION OF THE RANKS

A. EACH UNIT MUST DEDICATE A MINIMUM OF TWELVE HOURS WEEKLY, DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE WEEK, TO STUDY POLITICAL LINE OF FRELIMO, TO CRITICISM AND SELF CRITICISM, INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE, AND SYNTHESIS OF ACQUIRED EXPERIENCES. CAMPAIGN OF LITERACY AND READING LEVEL MUST BE INCREASED AT LEVEL OF COMPANY OR PLATOON. TWO OR THREE HOURS OF EACH WORKING DAY SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO ACTIVITIES OF PRODUCTION, SPECIFICALLY AGRICULTURAL. A PARTY COMMITTEE WILL BE FORMED IN EACH COMPANY OR PLATOON.

- B. AS EMERGENCY MEASURE, GROUP AND SECTION LEADERS MUST BE RE-EDUCATED IN TWO WEEK SEMINARS TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY.
- C. UNTIL THERE IS A CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE AND REGULATIONS OF MILITARY DISCIVLINE THE FOLLOWING RULES WILL BE OBSERVED:
- 1. IT IS EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED FOR UNIFORMED SOLDIERS TO CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES. VIOLATION OF THIS RULE WILL BE PUNISHED BY THIRTY DAYS DETENTION.
- 2. A UNIFORMED SOLDIER FOUND DRUNK WILL BE EXPELLED FROM FPLM AND WILL BE RETURNZD TO HIS LOCALITY OF ORIGIN AND DELIVERED TO LOCAL DYNAMISING GROUP. IF HE COMMITS THIS CRIME WHILE ARMED HE WILL BE PUT INTO MILITARY PRISON FOR NOT LESS THAN ONE YEAR, AFTER WHICH HE WILL BE TURNED OVER TO THE DYNAMIZING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GROUP OF HIS LOCALITY OF ORIGIN. OTHER VIOLATIONS OF LAW WILL BE PUNISHED ACCORDING TO MILITARY LAWS IN FORCE.

- D. NO MEMBER OF THE FPLM SHALL BE IN UNIFORM OUTSIDE THE MILITARY AREA UNLESS HE IS ON AN OFFICIAL MISSION. THE VIOLATION OF THIS RULE WILL BE PUNISHED BY FIFTEEN DAYS DETENTION.
- E. ALL SOLDIERS MUST BE IN THE BARRACKS BY THIRTY
 MINUTES BEFORE ROLL CALL. A MANDATORY CURFEW WILL BE OBSERVED
 AT 2130 HOURS DURING THE WEEK AND MIDNIGHT ON WEEKENDS. ANY
 SOLDIERS FOUND OUT OF MILITARY AREA WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION

WILG BE SUBJECT TO FIFTEEN DAYS DETENTION.

F. NO SOLDIERS MAY BE OUTSIDE THE MILITARY AREA DURING WORKING HOURS UNLESS ON A MISSION. AFTER WORKING HOURS A PASS FROM THE COMMANDER OF THE BARRACKS IS REQUIRED. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION FIFTEEN TO THIRTY DAYS OF DETENTION.

G. ALL ARMS INCLUDING BAYONETS AND KNIVES MUST BE RETURNED WHEN THE MISSION IS ENDED. ILLEGALLY ARMED SOLDIERS WILL BE PUNISHED WITH SIXTY DAYS IN PRISON.

H. ANY AGGRESSION OR ATTEMPT OF AGGRESSION OR THREAT COMMITTED BY A SOLDIER OF THE FPLM INVOLVING ARMS OR MARTIAL ARTS WILL BE EXPELLED FROM FPLM AND SUBJECT TO A PENALTY WHICH WILL BE DOUBLE THAT CALLED FOG BY ANY PENALTY CODE IN FORCE.

I. THE SAME IS TO BE APPLIED TO THOSE WHO ABUSE THE NAME OF THE FPLM. ALL MEMBERS OF THE FPLM MUST CARRY IDENTIFICATION. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION -- SEVEN DAYS DETENTION.

J. COMMANDERS OF THE UNITS WILL BE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THESE RULES AND ANY COMMANDER WHO DOES NOT ENFORCE THE RULES WILL BE SUBJECT TO IDENTICAL PUNISHMENT FOR THE VIOLATION.

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